

# Luther Named To Head Math

Dr. Herbert A. Luther, a member of A&M's Mathematics Department since 1937, has been named acting head of the department.

Luther's appointment was announced by College of Science Dean Clarence Zener. He replaces Dr. Morris Ostrofsky who resigned recently to join the Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Baltimore, Md.

A full professor since 1947, Luther has chaired a number of Ph.D. and master's committees. Currently, he is conducting research in mathematics for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Dr. Luther is the author of a book, "Applied Numerical Methods," written in cooperation with two University of Michigan engineers. He has published numerous technical papers.

Luther earned Ph.D. and M.S. degrees at the State University of Iowa. He also has a B.A. degree from the University of Pittsburgh and attended two summer computer schools at the University of Oklahoma.

The professor's professional and academic memberships include the Mathematical Association of America, Association for Computing Machinery, Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics, Texas Academy of Science (Fellow), American Association for the Advancement of Science, Phi Kappa Phi and Sigma Xi. He is currently vice-chairman of the Texas Section of the Mathematical Association of America.

Luther's experience also includes one year as a research engineer for Westinghouse Research Laboratories and a summer as a research economist for the Texas Transportation Institute.

The Luther family lives at 614 Welch Avenue, College Station.

# Koontz To Speak At Conference

Education of culturally-deprived Texas A&M Monday by one of the nation's highest ranking elected education officials.

Mrs. Elizabeth D. Koontz, National Education Association president-elect, will speak Monday during a two-day visit to address sessions of a state-wide institute for directors of Title I federal programs.

Mrs. Koontz' 7:30 p.m. presentation, "The Teacher is the Key," will be in the Architecture auditorium, announced Dr. Paul Hensarling, A&M Education and Psychology Department head.

She is a special education teacher at Salisbury, N. C., and has served in several official NEA capacities. Mrs. Koontz taught several years in North Carolina schools, serves on a presidential National Advisory Council and has attended overseas educational conferences.

Hensarling said her Monday lecture is aimed specifically for area school people and that the public is invited.



MRS. ELIZABETH KOONTZ

# Tractor Kills Waco Youth

WACO—John Barnett, 17-year-old Waco youth participating in a Neighborhood Youth Corps program at James Connally Technical Institute, was fatally injured Wednesday afternoon when the tractor he was riding hit a wall and overturned on him.

The youth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe P. Barnett of 3709 Leland, Waco, was enrolled in a welding class at Connally Tech.

Robert M. Stillman, associate director of the institute, said the accident occurred in a hanger about 12:45 p.m. while the students and instructors were on a lunch break.

Stillman said an investigation is in progress.

Services for the youth are pending at Compton-Waltrip Funeral Home in Waco.

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